

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

5           A removable steering wheel device for permitting removal of  
the steering wheel to make the vehicle undriveable and thus  
undesirable to a potential thief. The removable steering wheel  
device includes a steering wheel having a boss engageable with an  
upper end of a steering column of the vehicle. The boss includes a  
10 bore and a base wall at the bottom of the bore. A bayonet  
connection assembly for removably connecting the boss to the upper  
end of the steering column. A locking cap disposed within the bore  
for fixing the bayonet connection between the boss and the upper  
end. The locking cap including an assembly for preventing rotation  
15 of the boss relative to the upper end, and including an assembly for  
fixing the locking cap within the bore.